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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
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Claim(s) discussed: 1.


Identification of prior art discussed: Prior art of record.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussion of proposed amendment (attached) distinguishes a line passing through the same plane of the side surfaces of the bus lines.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1: (Currently Amended) A process for fabricating a thin-film device, said process comprising:

forming a conducting layer composed of an anodically oxidizable metal on a substrate;

etching said conducting layer to form a plurality of bus lines having upper surfaces parallel to said substrate and inclined sides surfaces and connection portions electrically connected to said bus lines and having upper surfaces parallel to said substrate and inclined surfaces, each of the side surfaces of said bus lines and the side surfaces of said conduction portion are outwardly protruding with respect to a line passing through upper and lower edges of one of the side surfaces; wherein said etching step is carried out so that portions of the side surfaces of said bus lines and the side surfaces of said connection portions are inclined at angles within the range from 20 degrees to 60 degrees with respect to a line parallel to the substrate surface on average ~~with respect to said substrate~~;

anodically oxidizing said bus lines and said connection portions so that said bus lines and said connection portions include inner conducting portions and outer insulating oxide films covering said inner conducting portions, respectively.